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REVENUE (ASSIGNMENT - I (1) DEPARTMENT

**STATEMENT OF SRI D. PRASADA RAO, HON'BLE MINISTER FOR
REVENUE, RELIEF, REHABILITATION & ULC ON THE NOTICE GIVEN
UNDER RULE 70, NO.142 BY SRI M.V.S.SARMA, MLC, REGARDING
'ALLOTMENT OF WET LAND TO M/S NCC LIMITED IN SOMPETA',
SRIKAKULAM DISTRICT**

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**Government in G.O.Ms.No.1107, Revenue (Assignment.I)
Department, Dated:15.09.2008 orders were issued for alienating the
Government land to an extent of Ac.972-69 Cts in favour of the APIIC
for onward transfer in favour of M/s Nagarjuna Construction
Company Ltd., for setting up of 1980 MW Thermal Power Project at
Sompeta Mandal, Srikakulam district on payment of market value of
Rs.80,000/- per acre in the following villages of Sompeta Mandal
based on the recommendations of the Empowered Committee.**

Sl.No .	Name of the Revenue Village	Survey No.	Classification	Extent of land alienated
1.	BARUVAPET	247	Beela Gayalu	Ac.169-78 Cts
2.	Benkili	231	Beela Tampara	Ac.198-80 Cts
3.	Gollagandi	23/9	Tempra Poramboke	Ac.208-75 Cts
4.	Rushikudda	152/2	Kaluva Poramboke	Ac.395-36 Cts
	TOTAL LAND			AC.972-69 Cts

**Above lands are locally called as Beela and are Government
Swamp lands which are situated in a low laying area receiving the
excess water from Mukunda Sagaram, Paidigam Reservoir and
Mahendra Tanya Groin. The Flood waters during the rainy season in**

the Western side and due to stagnant heavy water adversely affect surrounding paddy fields and Agricultural crops by inundation during rainy season and that the standing water stagnated throughout the year makes the swamps inaccessible except in the month of May when water dries up, and that the lands are neither suitable for cultivation nor for any commercial plantation, except that they are useful for inland fishermen for fishing for their livelihood to some

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extent. There is no second crop under Beela water and even for a single paddy crop, the Beela water is not used. Water under Beela is used for 3 Lift Irrigation schemes i.e., Benkili, Rushikudda of Sompeta Mandal and Kuttuma of Kanchili Mandal and that the Government sanctioned 3 Lift Irrigation Schemes in Benkili, Rushikudda and Kuttuma from Beela. But the schemes are not functioning due to lack of sufficient water in the Beela and in rainy season the entire wet lands abutting the Beela are being submerged.

The Fishermen Cooperative Society Manikyapuram village of Kaviti Mandal consist of 158 Members and they fish in the Beela waters and their area of Operation is Manikyapuram, Rushikudda and Gollagandi. According to norms, one hect. of Water spread area is to be provided to one family. The total water spread area required for the society is Ac.390-26 Cts, which is available in Manikyapuram village of Kaviti Mandal, and Gollagandi, Rushikudda in Sompeta Mandal i.e., Chinna Beela land. The water spread area

under the possession of the Society comes to Ac.584-44 Cts and their livelihood is not deprived.

The Nagarjuna Constructions Company Ltd., has also deposited an amount of Rs.62-00 lakhs with the Deputy Director of Fisheries, Srikakulam for the deepening and forming of fish tanks to the Fishermen for eking out their livelihood in the Chinna Beela Land of Ac.247-00 and also taking up training programmes to the educated unemployed fishermen youth through NAC / DRDA for providing them self- employment.

With regard to valuable wild life, spices, the Divisional Forest Officer, Srikakulam has reported that of about 356 Plant species, the Predominant plant species of Mangifera Indica, Borassus Flabellifera, Phoenix Sylvestris, Dlionix regia, Acacia nilotica, Tamarindus Indica, Cocos nucifera, Cassia tora, Cassia occidentlis, Abution indicum, Achyranthes aspera, Parthenium hysterochous, Tephrosia purpurea

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species, were identified within 10 Km radius of the Project site. Similarly, the animal species reported in the 10 KM study area are common in nature to region and there are no endangered, protected, threatened animal and plant species in the study area, and that there are no objections to Forest Department for establishing power plant in the above land.

The above lands are not entered into the Prohibitory Order Book. There is no suppression of the facts by the Tahsildar,

Sompeta and District Administration. The lands are allotted to the M/s NCC Ltd., for establishing power plant after following due procedure for alienation of Government land.

**D. PRASADA RAO,
MINISTER FOR REVENUE, RELIEF,
REHABILITATION & ULC.**